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PROPOSED AGENDA FOR TELEPHONE INTERVIEW
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- 1) *General overview of subject technology and commercial significance.*
- 2) *Discuss limitation whereby proximal ends of tubular member and shape imparting mechanisms are releasably connectable to the distal end of the control device. In particular:*
 - a. *Discuss intended effect of limitation.*
 - b. *Discuss whether language should be modified to arrive at that intended effect.*
 - c. *Contrast with FIG. 17 of Edwards; particularly non-releasable nature of shape imparting mechanism.*
- 3) *Discuss limitations of claims 6 and 8, relevance of "coupling mechanism" in terms of shape imparting mechanism.*
- 4) *Discuss limitation of "closed distal end" in claim 1 – contrast with open distal end of item 96 in Edwards. For example, FIG. 10 clearly shows an open distal end.*